- 30. (Previously Presented) A method of claim 29, wherein the mark/space are aligned with one another in each recording field of a high-frequency-modulated groove.
- 31. (Currently Amended) A method of claim 27, wherein the physical mark information is recorded to be detected detectable at an initial stage of a servo operation carried out in an optical disc apparatus, separately from a decoding operation to be carried out in the optical disc apparatus.
- 32. (Currently Amended) A method of claim 27, wherein the physical mark information is recorded in an area of the disc where writing of data is impossible after manufacture of the recording medium, the physical mark information is a <u>Blu-ray Disc Read-Only Memory (BD-ROM)</u> identification area (ROMID), and the recording medium is a read-only recording medium.
- 33. (Currently Amended) A method of claim 27, wherein the physical mark information is recorded in an area of the disc where writing of data is possible only once after manufacture of the recording medium, the physical mark information is a <u>Blu-ray Disc</u>

 <u>Recordable (BD-R)</u> identification area (RID), and the recording medium is a write-once recording medium.

34. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for reproducing data from a recording medium, said apparatus utilizing physical mark information to control reproduction of the recorded data, wherein the physical mark information has been recorded as a wobbled pit pattern in an area of the recording medium, the physical mark information recorded in an area